GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4238
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FRACTURE IN RAIL TRACKS IN NORTH EAST
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the trains in the North-East only snail along and hardly run, mainly because of high level of fractured rail tracks;

(b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted to detect fractures;

(c) if so, the outcome of such survey, indicating the extent of fractures therein; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to repair the faulty track?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) & (c) Do not arise.

(d) The rails which crack or develop defects while in service, are identified by Ultrasonic Flaw Detection testers and visual examination. Defective rails are kept under watch and also replaced, if necessary.